City of Lauderhill



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NEWS RELEASE - COVID-19 (Coronavirus) #39 City of Lauderhill Monitors Tropical Storm Isaias and Announces the New Lauderhill CARES II Program.

Lauderhill, FL – July 30, 2020 – 6:00 PM – With the COVID-19 Pandemic still breaking records daily in Florida and the United States, the City of Lauderhill is still completing essential operations while City buildings remain closed to the public. Lauderhill still has no hot spot, concentration, or particular neighborhood of concern of COVID-19 positive cases. We also remain one of the cities in Broward with the fewest number of positive cases.

City Hall and all Administrative Offices are open virtually Monday through Thursday from 7:30 AM to 6:00 PM. Call 954-739-0100 for any Department located in City Hall. Option #1 to pay a Utility Bill. Option #3 for Building Permits. Call the Police Department (non-emergency) at 954-497-4700, Fire at 954-730-2950, and Parks at 954-730-3080. Log on to lauderhill-fl.gov for more information on Virtual City Services or to contact us via e-mail. Parks are open for passive use from sunrise to sunset. Tennis, basketball and racquetball courts are open with restrictions.

Announcing "NEW" Lauderhill CARES II Program

The City of Lauderhill is proud to announce the **CARES II Program**, which is a new relief fund for residents of Lauderhill affected by the COVID-19 Pandemic. The City of Lauderhill **CARES II Program** will assist with rent, mortgage payments, homeowner association fees, and utility bills to include water and electric for both renters and homeowners up to \$10,000 per household for those who qualify. *Only City of Lauderhill Residents may apply*. Applications are available now and will be accepted starting Monday, August 3, 2020. Visit <u>lauderhill-fl.gov/LauderhillCARESprogram</u> for more information.

Under the **CARES I Program**, the City is still accepting applications for business assistance. Please email <u>LauderhillCares@lauderhill-fl.gov</u> or call 954-714-2181 for more information on either program.

Tropical Storm Isaias Approaching

The City of Lauderhill is closely monitoring the tropics and watching Tropical Storm Isaias in particular. Staff is clearing drains and basins as well as removing debris and tree limbs from our canals. The South Florida Water Management District and Public Works Department have drained the canals to their minimum levels. Public Works is prepared to turn pumps on during the weather event if needed. All canal pumps have been tested and are in good working condition. Garbage and community shuttles will continue as scheduled.

Lauderhill Food Distribution

Weather permitting, Joy's Roti Delight, in conjunction with Commissioner Richard Campbell and others, will host a *Drive Thru Food Distribution* on Sunday, August 2, 2020 at 9:00 AM. A free box of food will be distributed to each car on a first come, first serve basis while supplies last. No walk-ups are permitted and it is open to the public. The event location is at the Lauderhill Mall at 1205 NW 40 Avenue (441), Lauderhill, FL 33313.

COVID-19 Testing Location in Lauderhill

The Lauderhill Sports Park (7500 W. Oakland Park Blvd.) testing site will close tonight in anticipation of Tropical Storm Isaias and will be closed until further notice. This testing location is provided by the Florida Department of Emergency Management.

Second Testing Location Will Soon Open in Lauderhill

The **Central Broward Park and Broward Stadium (3700 NW 11th Place)** will open a new COVID-19 Testing location starting August 10, 2020. The park will close to the public on Sunday, August 9th and remain closed until the location is no longer a testing location. It is estimated the Department of Health and Broward County will keep Central Broward Park as a testing location through December 2020. Starting August 9th, the operating hours of this location will be Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM through 3:00 PM.

Census 2020

No one should be left out! You and your entire house ought to be counted. Census Takers will follow up in person with homes that have not responded to the 2020 Census. All Census Takers will wear masks and follow safety protocols. You may also receive an email from the Census to respond if you have not yet done so. Commissioner M. Margaret Bates explains, "Answering the Census takes 10 minutes and can be done online, by phone, or by mail." Visit their website at 2020census.gov and help Lauderhill receive its share of the billions of dollars that can positively impact our community for the next decade.